GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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TRANS-ASIAN HIGHWAY
HOLKHOMANG HAOKIP

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the issue of land route connectivity between our National Highways and Myanmar`s Road net-work was taken up during his recent visit to Yangon;

(b) if so, whether it is going to be part of the proposed Trans-Asian Highway;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) Whether India, Myanmar, Thailand and Singapore are working together towards the construction of this Trans-Asian Highway; and

(e) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) A trilateral meeting was held among the Foreign Ministers of India, Myanmar and Thailand in Yangon on April 5-6, 2002 during External Affairs Minister Shri Jaswnt Singh`s visit to Yangon.The meeting agreed on a number of areas of cooperation including construction of a Highway linking the three countries.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No proposal involving Singapore is under consideration at present.

(e) Does not arise.